

C H A P. IV.

*What happened at Farmer Grove's;
and how she gratified him for the Use
of his Room.*

W H I L E at Mr. Grove's, which was in the Heart of the Village, she not only taught the Children in the Day Time, but the Farmer's Servants, and all the Neighbours, to read and write in the Evening; and it was a constant Practice before they went away, to make them all go to Prayers and sing Psalms. By this Means, the People grew extremely regular, his Servants were always at Home, instead of being at the Ale-house, and he had more Work done than ever. This gave

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gave not only Mr. Grove, but all the Neighbours, an high Opinion of her good Sense and prudent Behaviour: And she was so much esteemed, that most of the Differences in the Parish were left to her Decision; and if a Man and Wife quarrelled (which sometimes happened in that Part of the Kingdom) both Parties certainly come to her for Advice. Every Body knows, that *Mariba Wilson* was a passionate scolding Jade, and that *John* her Husband, was a furly ill tempered Fellow. These were one Day brought by the Neighbours for *Margery* to talk to them, when they fairly quarrelled before her, and were going to Blows; but she stepping between them, thus addressed the Husband; *John*, says she, you are a Man, and ought to have more Sense than to fly in